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General Manager.

## CITY APPROPRIATIONS.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: The article in the Evening World of March 10, under the above heading, is a clear dispassionate statement upon a question which is seriously agitating the public mind, but strongly opposing, as I have, the expenditure of large sums of money without any safeguards thrown around it, I am compelled to seriously object to the remedy proposed by the World. The loss of time in waiting until the next meeting of the legislature, so that the charter can be amended, may be fatal to the best interests of Roanoke.

The demand for good streets and sewers is pressing and vital, and can only be postponed for a short time without serious public loss.

In my judgment, the existing charter gives the Council ample and legal powers for the creation of just such an advisory board as has been proposed. It is hard to imagine how the English language can be used to more clearly and specifically cover what is asked.

Chapter I, sections 1: "The administration and government of the city shall be vested in one principal officer to be styled the mayor; one board, to be called the Council of the city of Roanoke, and in such other boards and officers as are hereinafter mentioned or may be provided by the Council." Now, to say that the Council cannot make one or forty advisory boards is quibbling; simply and purely quibbling.

It is perfectly evident that the framers of the charter had in view the possibility of contingencies arising that might require special action, and therefore distinctly gave the Council power to act.

The integrity of the Council has not been impeached or its honesty impugned. The only suspicion that has arisen has come through the indiscreet brawlings of some of its so-called defenders.

It seems fair to sum up the situation as follows:

First. Some safeguards ought to be thrown around the expenditure of a large amount of public money.

Second. The asking for the appointment of an advisory board as an assistant to Council was eminently proper and wholly within the legal powers of Council to grant.

Third. Through bad advisers, the Council was led to believe that this meant an attack upon it, when nothing of the sort was intended.

Fourth. That had the Council taken the trouble to dispassionately consider the proposition submitted through the Real Estate Exchange it could have acted as desired without any loss of dignity to itself; but, on the contrary, such action would have been of very great assistance to it and its successors.

Fifth. That on the passage of the ordinances for surveying and mapping the city, increasing the efficiency of the department and the taking care of the court house and county jail, there should be no dissenting vote.

Sixth. The prompt, proper, and continuous improvement of the streets and sewers is a paramount and absolute necessity.

Further examination and reflection leads me to materially modify the views expressed in a former communication, that it was desirable for the freeholders to vote against the ordinances as submitted. Assuming that the proposed ordinances are defeated, it is more than probable, and perfectly natural, that the present Council would defer any further action, in view of the fact that the spring election is so near at hand, and that new Councilmen are to be chosen.

It is said that the new Council does not organize until July. Thus the near months, so important for making preparations for summer work would be lost, and much of the work necessarily go over into next year. This must be avoided.

We concede, for the sake of argument, that the Council is composed of common sense and public spirited citizens, who possibly objecting to be forced to a certain line of action, will not be insensible to the wishes of the freeholders, and these properly expressed, will lead the Council of its own volition to take such action as will lighten its own burden

and responsibilities, and at the same time satisfy the public mind.

Can it afford to do otherwise? If from any cause it should fail to meet reasonable expectations, we can make a vigorous fight at the spring election, and elect men who will see that the city's interest are protected.

If such a remote and impossible contingency should happen, as that the present Council should improperly or wantonly exercise its functions, legal measures can be had to restrain it until its successor comes into power.

The appropriations are necessary.

A proper and safe expenditure of them is equally necessary.

As the matter now stands, we had better secure the appropriations.

If the Councilmen wisely exercise their authority, sustain them.

If they don't, fight them to death.

## A BUSINESS MAN.

The above communication so fitly represents the position of a great many freeholders that THE TIMES gives it editorial prominence. The writer is one of the leading citizens of Roanoke. In connection with it, THE TIMES takes pleasure in stating that negotiations toward an understanding are in progress whereby proper safeguards to surround the expenditure of the public moneys will be guaranteed.

If these assurances are satisfactory THE TIMES will gladly lend its best efforts to save the ordinances from what at present seems a certain defeat.

## THE CONFERENCE.

The work of the Conference yesterday was mostly preliminary and for getting things in shape for the dispatch of business. Bishop Hendrix is an admirable presiding officer and does not allow things to drag.

The abandonment of the reading of reports of pastors will give more time for the discussion of the connectional interests of the church and will probably shorten the session.

The question of the change of time of holding the conference is a matter that is likely to engage the attention of the conference, as indicated by the close vote by which Rev. Mr. Hyde's resolution was tabled indefinitely.

The reports of the presiding elders show great progress in the work of the church, especially in the rapidly developing sections of Southwest Virginia.

Dr. Potter's address was practical and to the point, and will doubtless do much to increase interest in the missionary work.

## OPEN TO ARBITRATION.

The Bering Sea negotiations have taken a turn for the better. Lord Salisbury wrote a letter February 21 which has just come to light, in which he makes possible the use of arbitration. The United States have, according to him, conceded that Bering Sea is not a closed sea, the claim of the United States to prevent the exercise of the seal fishery by other nations in Bering Sea rests now exclusively upon the interest, which by purchase it possesses in a ukase issued by the Emperor Alexander I. in the year 1821, which prohibits foreign vessels from approaching within 100 Italian miles of the coast and islands then belonging to Russia in Bering Sea.

Says Lord Salisbury: "What are now the rights of the United States as to the fur seal fisheries in the waters of the Bering Sea outside of the ordinary territorial limits?" is a question which would be very properly referred to the decision of an arbitrator. But the subsequent clause which assumes that such rights could have grown out of the ownership of the breeding islands, and the habits of the seals resorting thereto, involves an assumption as to the prescriptions of international law at the present time, to which her majesty's government is not prepared to accede.

But the British Premier shows a willingness to admit the material points to arbitration which cannot very well end unfavorably to the United States.

## BRIGHTER FOR BUCHANAN.

It has been an open secret that after the big sale at Buchanan last fall there was serious trouble in getting the purchasers to settle. It is also well known that there has lately been a re-organization of the board and that Mr. C. M. Clark, of Philadelphia, has been made president. A firm believer himself in the future of Buchanan, he has been able to inspire the same confidence in others.

We are able to announce that within the last few days the investment companies of Roanoke have settled for their large purchases, outside buyers are paying up, and that all past trades will very shortly be closed up. We look for very active and prosperous times in the near future for Buchanan.

## A GREAT NEWSPAPER.

THE TIMES this morning is a strong newspaper and will bear comparison with any printed in Virginia. It contains as leading matters of news:

A full report of the proceedings of the Methodist Episcopal Conference with sketches of many of the leading clerical and lay delegates.

A thrilling story of the killing of young Jack Dooley with the voluntary confession of the boy George Richardson, who is distracted over the fearful result of his foolhardy act.

The election of Gen. John M. Palmer to the Senate from Illinois after a protracted deadlock.

Last, but not least, the editorial announcement that the complications which have endangered the success of the bond ordinances are in a fair way of being removed.

THE TIMES desires special correspondents in every town in Southwest Virginia and the Shenandoah Valley.

## A COMPROMISE BILL

Proposed to Settle the Connecticut Gubernatorial Contest.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 11.—[Special.]—The Republicans at their caucus this noon finally agreed on an amended form of what has been popularly known as the "Judson Proposition" as the only possible way out of the present gubernatorial contest. The proposition was the work of several of the leading Republicans, and the vote of the caucus was a unanimous one. The bill was presented by the judiciary committee late.

It is the amended proposition making its terms applicable to the present case, and provides that any person voted for for governor or lieutenant-governor may bring his petition to any judge of the superior court, alleging all the facts upon which such claim is founded, which shall be served upon the party against whom such claim is made, and shall be made returnable to such judge within fifteen days after the passage of this act, and such judge shall immediately hear and determine such petition, subject to appeal to the supreme court.

If the judge find that no person received a majority and that the petitioner is one of the two who received the highest number of votes so cast, and if he shall find that any ballots were illegally cast or rejected, he shall render judgment in accordance therewith and shall return said judgment to the secretary of state within three days if no appeal is taken.

In case appeal is taken to the Supreme Court (within two days) the chief justice shall at once call a special term. The judgment shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state immediately and the secretary shall cause it to be laid before the general assembly. If the general assembly is not in session the person administering the office of governor shall forthwith convene the general assembly.

It shall be the duty of the general assembly whenever such hearing is had and any correction of returns of presiding officer is made by the judge, before taking action relative to the election of any persons to the offices of governor, lieutenant-governor and secretary, to correct the returns of presiding officers in accordance with the final judgment and the finding of such judge of the superior court. The bill was read twice and made a special order for tomorrow. The house then took recess until to-morrow at 11 a. m.

## George Colvin Returns.

George Colvin has returned to Railroad avenue. Yesterday morning he opened his doors and beheld with surprise and mortification the absence of his furniture. George was not discouraged, however, and hustled around in great shape for a fresh supply of plunder. The chief of police looked in near noon and saw George seated in company with two pals in trouble. One had a wooden leg and the other one eye. The stove between them was not very large, and hardly sufficed the contingency of a snack house. George is very, very despondent and talks strongly of committing suicide. He also talks of bringing suit against Evans & Chalmers for searching his premises.

## All Drunk.

Charles Connor, John Martin, Jattie Morley and Charles Clyde, all drunk and raising a disturbance on the street, were arrested last night by Officers Schancks, Vest and Eanes. The whole gang were jailed, as were also James Donly and John Hays. They are a gang of first-class tramps.

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5-room house on John street, small cash payment, balance easy terms.

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